

Serial Number _____

TIMING LIMITATION STIPULATION

No surface use is allowed in bighorn sheep rutting, winter and lambing habitat during the following time period:

November 1 through June 30

This stipulation does not apply to the operation and maintenance of production facilities.

On the lands described below:

For the purpose of:

To protect bighorn sheep rutting, winter and lambing habitat from disturbance and to facilitate long-term maintenance of bighorn sheep populations.

Any changes to this stipulation will be made in accordance with the land use plan and/or the regulatory provisions for such changes.

Exception: An exception to this stipulation may be granted by the authorized officer if the operator submits a plan which demonstrates that impacts from the proposed action are minimal or can be adequately mitigated.

Modification: The boundaries of the stipulated area may be modified if the authorized officer determines that portions of the area no longer contain rutting, winter and lambing habitat for bighorn sheep. The dates for the timing restriction can be modified if new wildlife use information indicates that the dates are not valid for the leasehold.

Waiver: This stipulation may be waived if the authorized officer, in consultation with the Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks, determines that the entire leasehold no longer contains bighorn sheep rutting, winter or lambing areas.

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